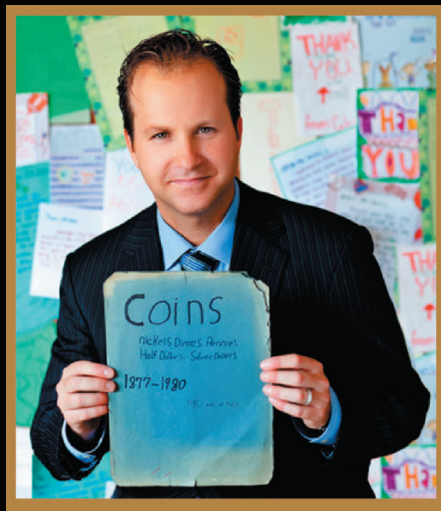


PAUL HOLLIS

PROFESSIONAL NUMISMATIST

*Holding his first book of coins
from 1980*



Paul Hollis has gained national prominence as a rare coin dealer, serving as a numismatic expert for many of the nation's leading coin companies. Hollis has taken particular interest in the single most valuable coin ever made in Louisiana: a unique \$10 gold piece struck in 1844 at the New Orleans Mint. In 2008, Hollis arranged to have the coin displayed at the former Mint. Nearly 20,000 visitors saw the coin, which last traded for \$1.5 million. Its story is detailed in a book Hollis is writing titled AMERICAN NUMISMATIST.



PAUL HOLLIS RARE COINS

PAUL HOLLIS RARE COINS & PRECIOUS METALS

1705 Highway 59, Suite 12 · Mandeville, LA 70448

www.PaulHollis.com · (800) 994-0689



President Lincoln's
SESQUICENTENNIAL

“IN YOUR HANDS, ... AND NOT IN MINE, IS THE MOMENTOUS ISSUE OF CIVIL WAR”

Thus did Abraham Lincoln serve notice to his countrymen that preserving the Union by peaceful means was his overriding goal as the nation's 16th president. He spoke these words in his First Inaugural Address on March 4, 1861 — a cold but sunny Monday 150 years ago.

Sadly, the war Lincoln fervently hoped to avoid was already taking shape, and long-held sectional grievances would erupt less than six weeks later into bitter, open conflict. More than 200,000 soldiers — Blue and Gray — would be killed in that conflict during the next four years. Lincoln himself would die at the hands of an assassin just five days after hostilities ended.

Martyrdom has given Lincoln's legacy added luster, further securing his place of high honor in the pantheon of great U.S. presidents.

For more than a century, Americans' pockets and purses have held a tangible tribute to that legacy: the humble — but noble — Lincoln cent. Introduced in 1909, this penny has now been produced longer than any other coin in U.S. history — and in greater numbers than all other coins, from every country on Earth and all of human history, put together. In 2009, to celebrate the coin's 100th anniversary and the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth, the U.S. Mint struck cents with four special designs on the reverse spotlighting major phases of Lincoln's life.

The coins, already collector's items, mark his birth and early childhood in Kentucky, his formative years in Indiana, his political beginnings in Illinois and his presidency in Washington.

